

Mineral Industry Opportunities in Alaska

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Mine Safety and Health Administration

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Southeast



- Coeur, Greens Creek, Niblack, Grubstake

Partners in the UAS Mine Training Center

Southwest



- Anglo/Dynasty, others



Northwest

- Barrick-Donlin Creek
- BHP-Deadfall Syncline
- Currently in Exploration stage, Donlin to make feasibility decision in November 2007.
- The Teck Cominco Red Dog mine is the world's largest producer of zinc concentrate. Red Dog is operated in conjunction with the NANA region.



Potential Donlin employment, 3000 construction, 1000 operations

Interior



- Interior
- Fort Knox-Surface Gold
- POGO-UG Gold
- Exploration projects underway
- Traditional Placer region

Nome

- Rock Creek
- Recruiting operators, mechanics, support personnel, mill operators



Other Opportunities



- Exploration-Drillers, helpers, riggers, camp services



Engineers

- We needed 850 mining engineers in 2007
- The US produced only 88
- Enrollment at UAF School of Mining and Geological Engineering is growing.
- In 2007, approximately 20 students are enrolled.

Training & Preparation



- MSHA
- Underground entry level miner
- Driller/driller helper
- Mechanic
- Electrician
- Equipment operators

Where?

- UAS mine training center-Juneau
- MAPTS-Statewide
- Delta Mine training center-Delta
- UAF School of Mining and Geological Engineering-UAF
- ANSEP-Anchorage
- Other providers

Wages

- Average wages exceed \$72,000
- Experienced miner wages exceed \$100,000
- Excellent Benefits
- Medical
- Profit Sharing, employee thrift plans

Working Conditions

- Often Camp Jobs
- New Equipment offers and vastly improved operator comfort and convenience
- Rotating work schedules
- Overriding emphasis on worker safety

Who should listen?

- Workers with existing job skills
- Workers who value time off
- Workers who want excellent pay and benefits
- Women
- Rural Residents
- Workers who want upward mobility in responsibility and promotion



What Should You Bring?

- A good work ethic
- Employability skills
- Computer skills
- Interest in technology
- Desire for a secure future
- Interest in promotion and increased responsibility
- Desire for life-long learning
- A total commitment to Safe Work Practices

